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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
WILLIAM R. KOWALSKI
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For: PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR PRESERVING THE PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS
OF CUT SEAFOOD DURING HANDLING AND TRANSPORTATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the May 29, 2002, office action, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-31.

Please add the following new claims:

--32. (New) A device for supporting a boneless cut of seafood having at least two cut surfaces each having a cut surface area, wherein said cut surfaces intersect to form a two-sided cut corner having a cut corner length, comprising:

A₁ at least two intersecting substantially flat substantially rigid supports forming a two-sided brace defining a fitted joint having an intersection;

wherein when said cut corner of said boneless cut of seafood is inserted in said fitted joint, a portion of each of said cut surfaces of said boneless cut of seafood rests against and is supported by said rigid supports.